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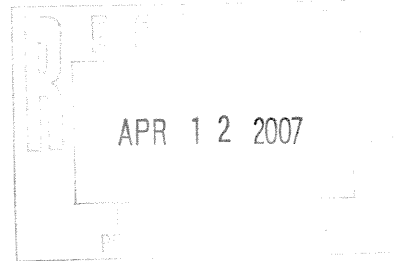
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Mr. Jeff Ottesen
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Subject: Comments on proposed Amendment 13 of the 2006/2009 STIP

Dear Mr. Ottesen,

The Council of the City of Skagway, during their regularly scheduled meeting of 5 April 2007, asked that several additions be made to the proposed Amendment 13 of the 2006/2009 STIP to improve public safety and transportation within the region. These suggestions are as follows:

Haines and Skagway – The 2004 – 2006 STIP identified the need for a Haines and Skagway open deck ferry (ID 13839) running on regular basis between the two communities. There is need for the service and a proven customer demand in region.

Klondike Highway Bike Path – As an industrial highway, the Klondike Highway sees diverse and heavy use through the visitor season. ADOT&PF should consider construction of a bike path along the highway from the Skagway River bridge to Liarsville. At a minimum, the project should be programmed as part of a future efforts made to improve and maintain the Klondike Highway.

Dyea Road Improvements – The road to Dyea serves thousand of visitors to our state each year. Improvements to the road would enrich visitor's experiences, provide better access to permanent residents, and provide more reliable public safety access.

If I can provide further information concerning projects in Skagway, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Alan Sorum – City Manager

Cc: Skagway City Council